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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER
35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements (copy attached) mailed August 1, 2005, submitted herewith are the following documents:

- 1) Copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements; and
- 2) Declaration; and
- 3) Power of Attorney to Prosecute Applications Before the USPTO; and
- 4) Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b) (including a copy of the recordation Form PTO-1595 and Assignment previously submitted).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any extensions of time and to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-1910.

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Entry of these documents should complete all of the filing formalities and fully satisfy all requirements of the Notification of Missing Requirements. Accordingly, examination and allowance of this application in due course are respectfully solicited.

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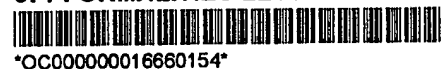
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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 01/11/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 01/11/2005
- Small Entity Statement filed on 01/11/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 01/11/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 01/11/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 01/11/2005

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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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